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### **NEWS RELEASE SUMMARY - January 29, 2008**

United States Attorney Karen P. Hewitt announced that Ryan Cabuto pled guilty today in federal court in San Diego to an Information charging him with one count of possession of child pornography, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252(a)(4)(B). Cabuto entered his guilty plea before Magistrate Judge Nita L. Stormes, subject to final acceptance of the plea by United States District Court Judge Larry A. Burns, at the time of sentencing.

According to the court records, Cabuto admitted that on or about January 31, 2007, he possessed a computer which contained over 600 images of minors, some as young as six years old, engaging in sexually explicit conduct.

Sentencing for Cabuto, currently employed as a personal trainer, is scheduled for April 21, 2008 at 9:30 a.m., before United States District Court Judge Larry A. Burns.

This case stems from an investigation by the San Diego Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, whose members include the Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the San Diego Police Department, the San Diego Sheriff's Department, the San Diego District Attorney's Office, the San Diego City Attorney's Office, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the United States Postal Inspection Service, Chula Vista Police Department, the La Mesa Police Department, and the Naval Criminal Investigative Service.

This case is being brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit [www.projectsafchildhood.gov](http://www.projectsafchildhood.gov).

**DEFENDANT**

**Case Number: 08cr0070-LAB**

Ryan Cabuto

**SUMMARY OF CHARGES**

Title 18, United States Code, Section and 2252(a)(4)(B) (Possession of Child Pornography)

**AGENCY**

Immigration and Customs Enforcement